

Message Text

PAGE 01 TAIPEI 02423 050330Z

70

ACTION EA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-03 H-02 INR-07 L-02

NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01 SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 /055 W

----- 020868

R 050311Z MAY 75

FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5056

INFO AMCONSUL HONG KONG

AMEMBASSY TOKYO

AMEMBASSY SEOUL

USLO PEKING

CINCPAC FOR POLAD

C O N F I D E N T I A L TAIPEI 2423

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: PFOR, PINT, CH, TW

SUBJECT: ROC ATTITUDE TOWARD AMNESTIED "WAR CRIMINALS";

PERMISSION TO VISIT TAIWAN

1. DURING CONVERSATION WITH FONMIN SHEN, CH'ANG-HUAN, MAY 3, AMBASSADOR TOOK OPPORTUNITY ASK HOW HE INTERPRETED RECENT PRC AMNESTY OF KMT AND ROC MILITARY OFFICERS.

2. SHEN RESPONDED WITH NOT UNEXPECTED EMOTIONAL CONDEMNATION OF PEKING'S "PROPAGANDA TRICK". HE CHARACTERIZED IT AS "A CLEVER BUT OBVIOUS PLOY", A "STUNT" WHICH MIGHT WORK IN OTHER COUNTRIES (HE MENTIONED THAILAND AND SOUTH KOREA), BUT ONE WHICH WOULD NOT FOOL THE ROC.

3. PEKING'S ATTEMPT TO PLAY ON THE "HUMANITARIAN" SENTIMENTS OF THE WORLD WAS A "BIG JOKE". THE ROC "DID NOT GIVE A DAMN" IF IT WERE CONDEMNED FOR ITS LACK OF HUMANITARIANISM; IT WOULD STICK TO ITS PRINCIPLES AND WOULD NOT BE TAKEN IN BY THIS "UNITED FRONT" TACTIC. IF ANY OF THE AMNESTIED GROUP WERE ALLOWED TO ENTER TAIWAN, AND ESPECIALLY SHOULD ANY RETURN TO THE MAINLAND, THE COMMUNISTS WOULD CLAIM THAT IT SIGNALLED THE BEGINNING OF "CONTACT".
CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 TAIPEI 02423 050330Z

THIS WOULD LEAD TO RUMOR AND SPECULATION WHICH WOULD PUT THE ROC ON THE DEFENSIVE IN DENYING. THE ROC WOULD NOT LET ITSELF BE "HOOKED" IN THIS WAY. NONE OF THESE "TOOLS OF UNITED FRONT WARFARE" WOULD BE ALLOWED TO

ENTER TAIWAN.

POPPLE

CONFIDENTIAL

<< END OF DOCUMENT >>

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 26 AUG 1999
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: AMNESTY, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS, PUBLIC ATTITUDES, WAR CRIMES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 05 MAY 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: greeneet
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975TAIPEI02423
Document Source: ADS
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: 11652 XGDS-1
Errors: n/a
Film Number: D750156-0534
From: TAIPEI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t197505100/baaaadrb.tel
Line Count: 59
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, TEXT ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION EA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: greeneet
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 14 JUL 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <14 JUL 2003 by KelleyW0>; APPROVED <14 NOV 2003 by greeneet>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
05 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: <DBA CORRECTED> jms 971006
Subject: n/a
TAGS: PFOR, PINT, CH, TW, US, (SHEN CHANG-HUAN)
To: STATE INFO HONG KONG
TOKYO
SEOUL
PEKING
CINCPAC FOR POLAD
Type: TE

Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006